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8	IN THE UNITED STATES BAN	NKRUPTCY COURT
9	FOR THE DISTRICT O	F ARIZONA
10	In re:	
<ul><li>11</li><li>12</li><li>13</li></ul>	CHARLES THOMAS BROWN d/b/a TOM BROWN PREFERRED TRUST COMPANY, Debtor,	Proceedings Under Chapter 7 No. 97-14228 PHX GBN
14 15	MAUREEN GAUGHAN, Chapter 7 Trustee  Plaintiff	Adversary Proceeding No.: COMPLAINT
16 17	v. ANN AKAMINE; DAVE ANDRUCH; GAIL	<ol> <li>Preferential Transfer Under 11 U.S.C. § 547;</li> <li>Fraudulent Transfer Under 11 U.S.C. § 548;</li> </ol>
18 19	ARMSTRONG; JOHN ARTERBURN; ROBIN L. ARTERBURN; WADE ARTERBURN; LORI B. ARTERBURN; ROBERT ANGER; HAROLD BEASLEY; LISA BEASLEY; LOUISE R. BEKINS; DAVID W. BENNETT; VICKI BENNETT; RAQUEL	<ol> <li>Fraudulent Transfer Under A.R.S. § 44-1001 et seq.;</li> <li>Unjust Enrichment; and</li> <li>Disallowance of Claims Under 11 U.S.C. § 502(d); and</li> </ol>
<ul><li>20</li><li>21</li></ul>	BERNABIB; TEUNIS J. BLADERGROEN; WILLIAM BLANKEMEIR; DAVID BOYD; CHARLES THOMAS BROWN; THE ESTATE OF EDWIN L. BROWN; JOAN BROWN; MARSHA BROWN;	11 0.5.c. § 502(d), and
<ul><li>22</li><li>23</li></ul>	DARRYL BURNS; MARY J. BURNS; DAN BURT; COLLEEN BURT; NANCY CAIN; ELLEN A. CALDWELL; CECILIA CHANDLER; ANDREW CHARNOKI; FAYE CHARNOKI; PETER J.	
<ul><li>24</li><li>25</li></ul>	CHRISTIE; THERESA N. CHRISTIE; BRUCE	l

1	CHURCH; WILMA A. CHURCH; RONALD CORNET; JOY COVEY; STEVEN COVEY;
2	KATHLEN CRAMER; JEANNE A. DAVIS; TED S.
3	DAVIS; DAVID DEARDORF; EILEEN DEARDORF; GEORGE E. DEWITTE; GEORGENE M. DEWITTE;
	CHRISTINE DOMINGO; JIM DREILING; SHIRLEY
4	DUSINBERRE; GARY EHLENBERGER; MARAYA
5	EHLENBERGER; NOILY EHLENBERGER; RALPH ENKER; MILDRED ENKER; TIMOTHY B. ERNST;
	MARK FINEMAN; BURTON S. FISHER; DOROTHY
6	L. FISHER; BERNARD FRANK; PHYLLIS FRANK;
7	AUBREY FRANKLIN; EDWARD GALISKIS; NOELITA GALISKIS; GEORGE GARCIA; WANDA
	GARCIA; RICK GARDNER; CHERYL GARDNER;
8	JOHN GEORGE; VIRGIL GEORGE; GEORGE
9	FAMILY TRUST; WILLIAM R. GILES; EVELYN GILES; PETER J. GILLESPIE;
	ALYSSA GIOSCIA; JOE GIOSCIA; PAM GIOSCIA;
10	DAVID GOLSNER; HADASSAH GOLSNER; LARRY GOODMAN; ANN GOODMAN;
11	DAVID GOODMAN; KAREN WACKER
4.0	GOODMAN; SAMANTHA GOODMAN; LONNIE
12	GREENHILL; WILLIAM L. GREER III; CHARLES D. GREGORY; MAXINE E. GREGORY; DONALD
13	GREIF; GLORIA GREIF; LYNN GRIFFIN; WILLIAM
1.4	GUERIN; HAROLD D. GUERIN; WILLIAM
14	GUERIN ASSOCIATES DEFINED BENEFIT PLAN; JAN GUERIN DEFINED BENEFIT PLAN; TRACY
15	O. GUERIN; JAN GUERIN; DONALD HALL;
16	MARGARET K. HALL; FRED M. HANKIN; GLENN D. HARRIS; JOSEPH HARRIS; MARILYN
10	S. HARRIS; CHARLES A. HILL; TRACEY O. HILL;
17	ROBIN HOBGOOD; RUTH HOBGOOD; FRANCIS
18	HOLLANDER; BONNIE HOWARD; ESTATE OF DON HOWARD; FRANCIS HOWARD; ESTATE OF
	VICTOR HOWARD; JOHN HOWE; JUNE HOWE;
19	DANNA HUTCHISON; VIOLETTE JAEGER; JACOB JANGULA; BETTY JANGULA; HENRI
20	JARRAT; FRANCES JARRAT; BRAD JONES; KIM
21	JONES; MARILYN JONES; DALE JORGENSEN;
21	DOROTHY A. JORGENSEN; CAROL KARNS; CAROLYN W. KENYON; FRED W. KENYON;
22	JACK KINZEL; NANCY KINZEL; DORIS KLING;
23	KAY S. KNOLL; ROBERT E. KNOLL; LORETTA KOBASHI; PETER KOENIG; SANDRA KOENIG;
23	LARRY KONTZ; ELOISE KONTZ; FAYE KOSTUR;
24	THOMAS LEGGIERE; WILLIAM L. LEHNER; ELLA
25	LEHNER; JAMES LEMON, JAMES W. LEWIS; TEENA M. LEWIS; MARK J. LIBMAN;
	ELIZABETH LIBMAN; RYAN LINDER; SAM
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1	LINDER; IRENE LINDER; JOAN HEINEMANN; NATHAN LOPATIN; MOLLE A. LOPATIN; NOEL
2	LUNDBERG; DANIEL S. MACFARLAND;
3	DELPHINE MAGNISEN; BERNICE MARKS; ESTATE OF H. MARSHALL; KENNETH
4	MARSHALL; JUNE E. MARSHALL; CAROL MASON; HAROLD MASON; DORIS MASON;
	PHILLIP M. MCANDREW; KAREN MCDOWELL;
5	KARL MEACHAM; DOROTHY MEACHAM; CRAIG MEIER; JEFF MEYER; HAZEL MILES;
6	MICHELLE MILLER; LORRAINE E. MOONEY; WILMA M. MORRIS; JAMES W. MULLIN;
7	CHRISTINE NELSON; JANICE NELSON; JAN
8	NELSON; JUDY NELSON; ROBERT NELSON; SUSAN NELSON; ROBERT NUNNERY; ROSE
9	NUNNERY; KATHLEEN O'CONNELL; BILL O'CONNOR; PATRICK O'CONNOR; JAMES
-	F. OSBORNE; MELANIE N. OSBORNE; KELLY
10	OSBORNE; BRIDGET PETTY; CLAUDE PETTY; EVELYN R. PETTY; WILLIAM G. PIERCE;
11	PATRICIA PIERCE; RENE PITTSEY; DOROTHY PITTSEY; FRANK PUGLIA; MARY PUGLIA;
12	PHILLIP QUARATULLO; MARSHALL
13	RACOWSKY; CATHERINE RACOWSKY; KEVIN RAK; ANNETTE M. RAK; SAKKAR
14	RAMASWAMY; VELLAYAN RAMASWAMY; UMAYAL RAMASWAMY; THOMAS G. RANKIN;
	JERRY RAYNOR; GERALD T. REED; GLORIA A.
15	REED; KIMBERLY MCMASTER REED; WILLIAM A. REED; MIKE REYBLAT; RITCHIE &
16	ASSOCIATES; KEN RITCHIE; DORIS ROPER; STEVE RUSSELL; DON RYAN; MARGIE RYAN;
17	KENNETH RYAN; LYNNE RYAN; JON
18	SCADDEN; JOHN SCHAEFER; DORE SCHENKENDORF; JOANN SCOTT; MYRNA
19	SCOTT; HARRY L. SEAGRAVES, III; JACQUELINE SELLS; STUART SHANNON;
	PATRICIA M. SHEPARD; HERBERT SIEGAL;
20	LISA SILVER; SYDNEY SMITH; ANN SMITH; STEPHEN SPENCER; HENRY SPOTTS; DENNIS
21	STEPANEK; MEFF STEPHENS; ROBERT STERNER; ANNA THURSTON; SONNY
22	THURSTON; JIMMIE S. TILGHMAN; MARGARET
23	TILGHMAN; ANTHONY TRYBA; SUZANNE TRYBA; DELBERT WALLS; JEAN WALLS;
24	ROBERT E. WARNEKE; KATHIE L. WARNEKE; FLORENCE WELLS; CHARLES D. WETZEL;
	RUTH K. WETZEL; KENNETH WISHNUFF;
25	CYNTHIA WISHNUFF; JOANNE WOODWARD; ALBERTO WUGGENTZER; CHRISTO
26	YARANOFF; HELEN ZAMBO; TOM ZAMBO

Defendants.

**For her complaint,** the Trustee alleges as follows:

#### **JURISDICTION AND VENUE**

- 1. Maureen Gaughan is the duly-appointed Chapter 7 Trustee ("Trustee") in the involuntary bankruptcy case of Charles Thomas Brown d/b/a Tom Brown Preferred Trust Company ("Brown").
- 2. The above-captioned bankruptcy case was commenced upon the filing of the Involuntary Bankruptcy Petition dated October 17, 1997.
  - 3. The Order for Relief was entered November 19, 1997.
- 4. This Court has jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1334(b), 157(a) and (b), and 11 U.S.C. §§ 105(a), 502(d), 544(b), 547(b), 548(a), 510(c) and 550(a).
- 5. The issues raised in this complaint are core proceedings within the meaning of 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2)(A), (B), (E), (F), (H), (K) and (O).
  - 6. Venue in the District of Arizona is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1409(a).

#### **PARTIES**

- 7. Brown resides at ASPC Perryville, ADC #140237, P. O. Box 3200, Goodyear, Arizona 85338 in the custody of the Arizona Department of Corrections.
  - 8. Upon information and belief, Defendant Ann Akamine is a resident of Arizona.
  - 9. Upon information and belief, Defendant Dave Andruch is a resident of Arizona.
  - 10. Upon information and belief, Defendant Gail Armstrong is a resident of Arizona.
  - 11. Upon information and belief, Defendant John Arterburn is a resident of Arizona.
  - 12. Upon information and belief, Defendant Robin L. Arterburn is a resident of Arizona.
  - 13. Upon information and belief, Defendant Wade Arterburn is a resident of California.
  - 14. Upon information and belief, Defendant Lori B. Arterburn is a resident of California.
  - 15. Upon information and belief, Defendant Robert Anger is a resident of Arizona.
  - 16. Upon information and belief, Defendant Harold Beasley is a resident of Arizona.
  - 17. Upon information and belief, Defendant Lisa Beasley is a resident of Arizona.
  - 18. Upon information and belief, Defendant Louise R. Bekins is a resident of California.

1		19.	Upon information and belief, Defendant David W. Bennett is a resident of Arizona.
2		20.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Vicki Bennett is a resident of Arizona.
3		21.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Raquel Bernabib is a resident of Arizona.
4		22.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Teunis J. Bladergroen is a resident of Arizona.
5		23.	Upon information and belief, Defendant William Blankemeir is a resident of Arizona.
6		24.	Upon information and belief, Defendant David Boyd is a resident of Arizona.
7		25.	Defendant Charles Thomas Brown resides at ASPC Perryville, ADC #140237, P.O.
8	Box 3200, Go	odyear,	Arizona 85338 in the custody of the Arizona Department of Corrections.
9		26.	Upon information and belief, Defendant The Estate of Edwin L. Brown is a resident
10	of Arizona.		
11		27.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Joan Brown is a resident of Arizona.
12		28.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Marsha Brown is a resident of Arizona.
13		29.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Darryl Burns is a resident of Arizona.
14		30.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Mary J. Burns is a resident of New York.
15		31.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Dan Burt is a resident of Arizona.
16		32.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Colleen Burt is a resident of Arizona.
17		33.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Nancy Cain is a resident of Indiana.
18		34.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Ellen A. Caldwell is a resident of New
19	Mexico.		
20		35.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Cecilia Chandler is a resident of Arizona.
21		36.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Andrew Charnoki is a resident of Arizona.
22		37.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Faye Charnoki is a resident of Arizona.
23		38.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Peter J. Christie is a resident of California.
24		39.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Theresa N. Christie is a resident of California.
25		40.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Bruce Church is a resident of Arizona.
26		41.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Wilma A. Church is a resident of Arizona.

1		42.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Ronald Cornet is a resident of Arizona.
2		43.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Joy Covey is a resident of Colorado.
3		44.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Steven Covey is a resident of Colorado.
4		45.	Defendant Kathleen Cramer's residence is unknown.
5		46.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Jeanne A. Davis is a resident of Nevada.
6		47.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Ted S. Davis is a resident of Nevada.
7		48.	Upon information and belief, Defendant David Deardorf is a resident of California.
8		49.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Eileen Deardorf is a resident of California.
9		50.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Ronald S. Desilets is a resident of California.
10		51.	Upon information and belief, Defendant George E. DeWitte is a resident of Arizona.
11		52.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Georgene M. DeWitte is a resident of
12	Arizona.		
13		53.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Christine Domingo is a resident of
14	Pennsylvania.		
15		54.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Jim Dreiling is a resident of Arizona.
16		55.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Shirley Dusinberre is a resident of GTO,
17	Mexico.		
18		56.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Gary Ehlenberger is a resident of Arizona.
19		57.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Maraya Ehlenberger is a resident of Arizona.
20		58.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Noily Ehlenberger is a resident of Arizona.
21		59.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Ralph Enker is a resident of New York.
22		60.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Mildred Enker is a resident of New York.
23		61.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Timothy B. Ernst is a resident of California.
24		62.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Mark Fineman is a resident of Arizona.
25		63.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Burton S. Fisher is a resident of Arizona.
26		64.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Dorothy L. Fisher is a resident of Arizona.

1	65.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Bernard Frank is a resident of Arizona.
2	66.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Phyllis Frank is a resident of Arizona.
3	67.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Aubrey Franklin is a resident of Arizona.
4	68.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Edward Galiskis is a resident of Arizona.
5	69.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Noelita Galiskis is a resident of Arizona.
6	70.	Upon information and belief, Defendant George Garcia is a resident of Arizona.
7	71.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Wanda Garcia is a resident of Arizona.
8	72.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Rick Gardner is a resident of Illinois.
9	73.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Cheryl Gardner is a resident of Illinois.
10	74.	Upon information and belief, Defendant John George is a resident of California.
11	75.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Virgil George is a resident of California.
12	76.	Upon information and belief, Defendant George Family Trust is a California trust with
13	its domicile in Califo	rnia.
14	77.	Upon information and belief, Defendant William R. Giles is a resident of Tennessee
15	78.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Evelyn Giles is a resident of Tennessee.
16	79.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Peter J. Gillespie is a resident of Arizona.
17	80.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Freda Gillespie is a resident of Arizona.
18	81.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Alyssa Gioscia is a resident of Arizona.
19	82.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Joe Gioscia is a resident of Arizona.
20	83.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Pam Gioscia is a resident of Arizona.
21	84.	Upon information and belief, Defendant David Golsner is a resident of Arizona.
22	85.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Hadassah Golsner is a resident of Arizona.
23	86.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Larry Goodman is a resident of Arizona.
24	87.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Ann Goodman is a resident of Arizona.
25	88.	Upon information and belief, Defendant David Goodman is a resident of Arizona.
26	89.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Karen Wacker Goodman is a resident of

1	Arizona.	
2	90.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Samantha Goodman is a resident of Arizona.
3	91.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Lonnie Greenhill is a resident of Texas.
4	92.	Upon information and belief, Defendant William L. Greer, III is a resident of
5	California.	
6	93.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Charles D. Gregory is a resident of Arizona.
7	94.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Maxine E. Gregory is a resident of Arizona.
8	95.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Donald Greif is a resident of New Jersey.
9	96.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Gloria Greif is a resident of New Jersey.
10	97.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Lynn Griffin is a resident of Arizona.
11	98.	Upon information and belief, Defendant William Guerin is a resident of Arizona.
12	99.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Harold D. Guerin is a resident of Arizona.
13	100.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Bill Guerin Associates Defined Benefit Plan
14	is an Arizona entity	with its principal place of business in Arizona.
15	101	Upon information and belief, Defendant Jan Guerin Defined Benefit Plan is an Arizona
16	entity with its princ	ipal place of business in Arizona.
17	102.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Tracy O. Guerin is a resident of Arizona.
18	103.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Jan Guerin is a resident of Arizona.
19	104.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Donald Hall is a resident of California.
20	105.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Margaret K. Hall is a resident of Arizona.
21	106.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Fred M. Hankin is a resident of Arizona.
22	107.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Glenn D. Harris is a resident of Arizona.
23	108	Upon information and belief, Defendant Joseph Harris is a resident of Arizona.
24	109	Upon information and belief, Defendant Marilyn S. Harris is a resident of Arizona.
25	110	Upon information and belief, Defendant Charles A. Hill is a resident of Sonora,
26	Mexico.	

1		111.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Tracey O. Hill is a resident of Sonora,
2	Mexico.		
3		112.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Robin Hobgood is a resident of Ohio.
4		113.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Ruth Hobgood is a resident of Ohio.
5		114.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Frances Hollander is a resident of Colorado.
6		115.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Bonnie Howard is a resident of Arizona.
7		116.	Upon information and belief, Defendant The Estate of Don Howard is a resident of
8	Arizona.		
9		117.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Frances Howard is a resident of Arizona.
10		118.	Upon information and belief, Defendant The Estate of Victor Howard is a resident of
11	Arizona.		
12		119.	Upon information and belief, Defendant John Howe is a resident of Arizona.
13		120.	Upon information and belief, Defendant June Howe is a resident of Arizona.
14		121.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Danna Hutchison is a resident of Arizona.
15		122.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Violette Jaeger is a resident of Wisconsin.
16		123.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Jacob Jangula is a resident of Arizona.
17		124.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Betty Jangula is a resident of Arizona.
18		125.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Henri Jarrat is a resident of California.
19		126.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Frances Jarrat is a resident of California.
20		127.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Brad Jones is a resident of Illinois.
21		128.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Kim Jones is a resident of Illinois.
22		129.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Marilyn Jones is a resident of Texas.
23		130.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Dale Jorgensen is a resident of Arizona.
24		131.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Dorothy A. Jorgensen is a resident of Arizona.
25		132.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Carol Karns is a resident of Arizona.
26		133.	Uponinformationandbelief, DefendantCarolynW.KenyonisaresidentofCalifornia.

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134.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Fred W. Kenyon is a resident of California.
135.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Jack Kinzel is a resident of California.
136.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Nancy Kinzel is a resident of California.
137.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Doris Kling is a resident of Arizona.
138.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Kay S. Knoll is a resident of Washington.
139.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Robert E. Knoll is a resident of Washington.
140.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Loretta Kobashi is a resident of California.
141.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Peter Koenig is a resident of Arizona.
142.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Sandra Koenig is a resident of Arizona.
143.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Larry Kontz is a resident of Arizona.
144.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Eloise Kontz is a resident of Arizona.
145.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Faye Kostur is a resident of Colorado.
146.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Thomas Leggiere is a resident of New Jersey.
147.	Upon information and belief, Defendant William L. Lehner is a resident of California.
148.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Ella Lehner is a resident of California.
149.	Upon information and belief, Defendant James Lemon is a resident of Arizona.
150.	Upon information and belief, Defendant James W. Lewis is a resident of Arizona.
151.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Teena M. Lewis is a resident of Arizona.
152.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Mark J. Libman is a resident of Arizona.
153.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Elizabeth Libman is a resident of Arizona.
154.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Ryan Linder is a resident of Arizona.
155.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Sam Linder is a resident of Massachusetts.
156.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Irene Linder is a resident of Massachusetts.
157.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Joan Heinemann is a resident of Illinois.
158.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Nathan Lopatin is a resident of Arizona.
159.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Molle A. Lopatin is a resident of Arizona.
	135. 136. 137. 138. 139. 140. 141. 142. 143. 144. 145. 146. 147. 148. 149. 150. 151. 152. 153. 154. 155. 156. 157. 158.

1		160.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Noel Lundberg is a resident of Arizona.
2		161.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Daniel S. MacFarland is a resident of Arizona.
3		162.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Delphine Magnisen is a resident of Arizona.
4		163.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Bernice Marks is a resident of Arizona.
5		164.	Upon information and belief, Defendant The Estate of H. Marshall is a resident of
6	Illinois.		
7		165.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Kenneth Marshall is a resident of Illinois.
8		166.	Upon information and belief, Defendant June E. Marshall is a resident of Illinois.
9		167.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Carol Mason is a resident of Maine.
10		168.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Harold Mason is a resident of Arizona.
11		169.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Doris Mason is a resident of Arizona.
12		170.	Uponinformationandbelief, DefendantPhillipM.McAndrewisaresidentofArizona.
13		171.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Karen McDowell is a resident of Arizona.
14		172.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Karl Meacham is a resident of New
15	Hampshire.		
16		173.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Dorothy Meacham is a resident of New
17	Hampshire.		
18		174.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Craig Meier is a resident of Arizona.
19		175.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Jeff Meyer is a resident of Arizona.
20		176.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Hazel Miles is a resident of Arizona.
21		177.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Michelle Miller is a resident of Arizona.
22		178.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Lorraine E. Mooney is a resident of Illinois.
23		179.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Wilma M. Morris is a resident of Arizona.
24		180.	Upon information and belief, Defendant James W. Mullin is a resident of Arizona.
25		181.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Christine Nelson is a resident of Arizona.
26		182.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Janice Nelson is a resident of Arizona.

1	1	183.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Jan Nelson is a resident of Arizona.
2	1	184.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Judy Nelson is a resident of Arizona.
3	1	185.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Robert Nelson is a resident of Arizona.
4	1	186.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Susan Nelson is a resident of Arizona.
5	1	187.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Robert Nunnery is a resident of Arizona.
6	1	188.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Rose Nunnery is a resident of Arizona.
7	1	189.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Kathleen O'Connell is a resident of New
8	York.		
9	1	190.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Bill O'Connor is a resident of California.
10	1	191.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Patrick O'Connor is a resident of California.
11	1	192.	Upon information and belief, Defendant James F. Osborne is a resident of Arizona.
12	1	193.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Melanie N. Osborne is a resident of Arizona.
13	1	194.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Kelly Osborne is a resident of Arizona.
14	1	195.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Bridget Petty is a resident of California.
15	1	196.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Claude Petty is a resident of California.
16	1	197.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Evelyn R. Petty is a resident of California.
17	1	198.	Upon information and belief, Defendant William G. Pierce is a resident of Arizona.
18	1	199.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Patricia Pierce is a resident of Arizona.
19	2	200.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Rene Pittsey is a resident of California.
20	2	201.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Dorothy Pittsey is a resident of California.
21	2	202.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Frank Puglia is a resident of Arizona.
22	2	203.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Mary Puglia is a resident of Arizona.
23	2	204.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Phillip Quaratullo is a resident of Arizona.
24	2	205.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Marshall Racowsky is a resident of Arizona.
25	2	206.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Catherine Racowsky is a resident of Arizona.
26	2	207.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Kevin Rak is a resident of Arizona.

1		208.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Annette M. Rak is a resident of Arizona.
2		209.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Sakkar Ramaswamy is a resident of Florida
3		210.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Vellayan Ramaswamy is a resident of Florida
4		211.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Umayal Ramaswamy is a resident of Florida
5		212.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Thomas G. Rankin is a resident of Arizona
6		213.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Jerry Raynor is a resident of Arizona.
7		214.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Gerald T. Reed is a resident of Arizona.
8		215.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Gloria A. Reed is a resident of Arizona.
9		216.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Kimberly Reed is a resident of California.
10		217.	Upon information and belief, Defendant William A. Reed is a resident of New Mexico
11		218.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Mike Reyblat is a resident of Arizona.
12		219.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Ritchie & Associates is a resident of Texas
13		220.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Ken Ritchie is a resident of Texas.
14		221.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Doris Roper is a resident of Arizona.
15		222.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Steve Russell is a resident of Arizona.
16		223.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Don Ryan is a resident of Washington.
17		224.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Margie Ryan is a resident of Washington.
18		225.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Kenneth Ryan is a resident of Washington
19		226.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Lynne Ryan is a resident of Arizona.
20		227.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Jon Scadden is a resident of California.
21		228.	Upon information and belief, Defendant John Schaefer is a resident of Arizona.
22		229.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Dore Schenkendorf is a resident of Arizona
23		230.	Upon information and belief, Defendant JoAnn Scott is a resident of Arizona.
24		231.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Myrna Scott is a resident of Arizona.
25		232.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Harry L. Seagraves, III is a resident o
26	Arizona.		

1	233.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Jacqueline Sells is a resident of Texas.
2	234.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Stuart Shannon is a resident of Arizona.
3	235.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Patricia M. Shepard is a resident of Arizona
4	236.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Herbert Siegal is a resident of Florida.
5	237.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Lisa Silver is a resident of California.
6	238.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Sydney Smith is a resident of Arizona.
7	239.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Ann Smith is a resident of Arizona.
8	240.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Stephen Spenser is a resident of Arizona.
9	241.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Henry Spotts is a resident of Texas.
10	242.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Dennis Stepanek is a resident of Illinois.
11	243.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Meff Stephens is a resident of Arizona.
12	244.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Robert Sterner is a resident of California.
13	245.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Anna Thurston's residence is unknown.
14	246.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Sonny Thurston's residence is unknown.
15	247.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Jimmie S. Tilghman is a resident of Arizona
16	248.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Margaret Tilghman is a resident of Arizona
17	249.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Anthony Tryba is a resident of Texas.
18	250.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Suzanne Tryba is a resident of Illinois.
19	251.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Delbert Walls is a resident of Indiana.
20	252.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Jean Walls is a resident of Indiana.
21	253.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Robert E. Warneke is a resident of Oregon
22	254.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Kathie L. Warneke is a resident of Oregon
23	255.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Florence Wells is a resident of Arizona.
24	256.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Charles D. Wetzel is a resident of Arizona
25	257.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Ruth K. Wetzel is a resident of Arizona.
26	258.	Upon information and belief, Defendant Kenneth Wishnuff is a resident of California

1	259. Upon information and belief, Defendant Cynthia Wishnuff is a resident of California.		
2	260. Upon information and belief, Defendant Joanne Woodward is a resident of Arizona.		
3	261. Upon information and belief, Defendant Alberto Wuggentzer is a resident of Arizona.		
4	262. Upon information and belief, Defendant Christo Yaranoff is a resident of Arizona.		
5	263. Upon information and belief, Defendant Helen Zambo is a resident of Pennsylvania.		
6	264. Upon information and belief, Defendant Tom Zambo is a resident of Arizona.		
7	265. To the extent that each Defendant is married, each of the acts complained of herein		
8	were taken on behalf of their respective marital communities. The true identities of the spouses of each		
9	Defendant are presently unknown, but will be seasonably identified by amendment upon discovery.		
10	ALLEGATIONS COMMON TO ALL COUNTS		
11	266. Upon information and belief, each of the Defendants caused or otherwise participated		
12	in the acts complained of herein within the territorial area of Arizona.		
13	THE PONZI SCHEME		
14	267. Brown operated a Ponzi scheme continuously for, upon information and belief,		
15	eighteen years prior to August of 1997 (the "Ponzi Scheme").		
16	268. Upon information and belief, each of the Defendants were investors in the Ponzi		
17	Scheme and received payments and fictitious profits therefrom.		
18	269. In or around June of 1996, the Arizona Corporation Commission ("ACC") began		
19	investigating Brown.		
20	270. The ACC investigation focused on Brown's Ponzi Scheme activities from December		
21	of 1989 through August of 1997. The ACC concluded that Brown operated a Ponzi Scheme during this		
22	period. See the Arizona Corporation Commission's Opinion and Order (the "ACC Order") at pp. 6 and 10		
23	A copy of the ACC Order is attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference as Exhibit "A."		
24	The Mechanics of the Ponzi Scheme		
25	271. Upon information and belief, the Ponzi Scheme investors, including each of the		
26	Defendants (as investors), invested money for six month intervals, with profits paid each six month period		

272. At the conclusion of six months, each of the Defendants had the option of: (a) recovering their principal and profit; (b) "rolling" their investment into another six month investment maturity period, compounding investment and profit; or (c) "rolling" their investment but accepting their profit, or a portion thereof. *See* Exhibit "A" at p. 3.

- 273. Upon information and belief, each of the Defendants invested monies in the Ponzi Scheme and either received their investment profit, continually rolled their investments and/or rolled their investment and recovered some or all their profits.
- 274. The Ponzi Scheme attracted a substantial number of investors and investment transactions over a long period of time as investors continued to invest and roll investments.
- 275. Brown did not keep accurate or understandable accounting records for principal investments.
- 276. Upon information and belief, Brown received, processed, rolled, segmented and/or commingled with principal and profit several hundred (if not in excess of several thousand) separate investment transactions in the course of the Ponzi Scheme's period of operation.
- 277. As a result, upon information and belief, a substantial number of the Defendants, if not all of the Defendants, received a return of all of their original investments and, in addition, substantial fictitious profits.

### **Brown's Representations to Investors**

- 278. Brown represented to potential investors that he was in the business of loaning money to small companies that were unable to obtain traditional bank financing. *See* Exhibit "A" at p. 9.
- 279. Brown represented to potential investors that he needed additional capital (i.e., investments) to fund the loans to these small company borrowers. *See* Exhibit "A" at p. 9.
- 280. Brown explained to a potential investor that if the investor invested money for six months, Brown could, in turn, loan that investment money to a small company for six months at high interest rates and return usually in excess of approximately 17% to 19% annual rates of return to the investor.

- 281. Brown assured potential investors that the investments were not risky because the companies borrowing money would secure their loans with their inventory through security agreements. *See* Exhibit "A" at pp. 7 and 10.
- 282. Brown assured potential investors that if a company defaulted upon a loan, Brown would exercise the secured creditor rights under the security agreement, sell the inventory and apply the sale proceeds to the outstanding balance.
- 283. Brown represented to potential investors that the investments were completely collateralized and, therefore, risk-free.
- 284. Brown refused to give inquiring potential investors any detailed information regarding the loans to the small company borrowers.
- 285. Brown claimed that he could not provide information on the borrowers, because: (a) if he released the names of the borrowers, a competitor might steal them as a client, and (b) the borrowers would get nervous if an investor called to verify the loans.
- 286. Once a potential investor decided to invest with Brown, Brown instructed the investor to deliver funds directly to Brown. Brown evidenced the investment by providing the investor with an unsecured promissory note. *See* Exhibit "A" at p. 10.
- 287. The Ponzi Scheme attracted large sums of money, gathering investments, upon information and belief, totaling multiple millions of dollars.
- 288. Upon information and belief, one of the reasons the Ponzi Scheme attracted large sums of money was the "get rich quick" allure that Brown's representations and assurances gave investors, including each of the Defendants.
- 289. Upon information and belief, the investors were attracted to the Ponzi Scheme by its comparatively high rate of return (*e.g.*, approximately 17 to 19% annual rates of return on investment) when other, more traditional investments and deposits, at the relevant times, yielded substantially less.
- 290. Upon information and belief, Brown made the representations and statements with reference to the investments of each of the Defendants as alleged herein.

The Real Use of Investments

The investors' money was not used for loans to small companies unable to obtain

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1 unregistered securities) and 44-1842 (sale of securities by unregistered salesman). See Exhibit "A" at p. 11. 2 300. The ACC also determined that Brown made certain misrepresentations and omissions 3 in connection with the sale of the securities. In particular, the ACC found that Brown failed to disclose to 4 investors that he was operating a Ponzi Scheme and that he was using investors' funds for his personal use 5 and to repay prior investors. Consequently, the ACC determined that Brown was in violation of A.R.S. 6 § 44-1991 (fraud in the sale of securities). See Exhibit "A" at p. 10. 7 **BROWN'S 1968 PONZI SCHEME** 8 301. Upon information and belief, Brown operated the same type of Ponzi Scheme 9 discussed herein from 1963 to 1968 (the "1968 Ponzi Scheme"). 10 302. On or about February 24, 1968, the ACC commenced an investigation into Brown and 11 his 1968 Ponzi Scheme activities. 12 The ACC's 1968 investigation resulted in a cease and desist order (the "1968 Order"), 303. 13 which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference as Exhibit "B." 14 THE CEASE AND DESIST ORDER 15 304. On November 23, 1997, the ACC issued its cease and desist order (the "Cease and 16 Desist Order") prohibiting Brown and any of his servants, agents, employees, assignees, successors, and those 17 persons acting in concert or participation with them from, among other things: 18 withdrawing, transferring, pledging, lending, spending, or utilizing in any way a. 19 any funds accepted from the sale of promissory notes to investors; and 20 b. selling, transferring, assigning, mortgaging, pledging, or disposing in any 21 manner any tangible or intangible personal property (including marketable securities) and real property, the 22 title of which was acquired through the use of proceeds obtained from the sale of promissory notes to 23 investors. See Exhibit "A" at pp. 11-13. 24 305. The ACC also ordered the payment of restitution to investors in the amount of 25 \$5,189,000. See Exhibit "A" at p. 12.

**DEFENDANTS' KNOWLEDGE** 

- 306. By virtue of the ACC's 1968 investigation and the resultant 1968 Order (Exhibit "B"), the Defendants knew, or should have known, that Brown was operating a Ponzi Scheme from, at least, December of 1989 through August of 1997.
- 307. Each of the Defendants had knowledge of or a duty to inquire with regard to Brown's primary violations of Arizona's securities laws.
- 308. The ACC's 1968 investigation and the 1968 Order are matters of public record that the Defendants had access to and should have discovered in the exercise of minimal due diligence.
- 309. When Brown refused to disclose the identity of the small company borrowers or any information in connection therewith, the Defendants had, at least, inquiry notice and/or a duty to investigate the propriety of Brown's scheme, and Brown himself.

#### PAYMENTS TO THE DEFENDANTS

- 310. In the period of approximately eight years before the date of the Bankruptcy Petition, Brown made payments and transfers to each of the Defendants, as creditors.
- 311. Each payment to each of the Defendants in connection with their investments in the Ponzi Scheme was made solely by Brown.
- 312. Upon information and belief, certain of the Defendants (the "90 day Defendants") each received payments from Brown within 90 days prior to the date of the Bankruptcy Petition, in amounts at least as totaled and set forth on and incorporated herein as Exhibit "C," respectively.
- 313. Upon information and belief, certain of the Defendants (the "One Year Defendants") received payments from Brown within one year prior to the date of the Bankruptcy Petition in amounts at least as totaled and set forth on and incorporated herein as Exhibit "C," respectively.
- 314. Upon information and belief, certain of the Defendants ("Four Year Defendants") received payments from Brown within one year prior to the date of the Bankruptcy Petition in amounts at least as totaled and set forth on and incorporated herein as Exhibit "C," respectively.
- 315. Upon information and belief, each of the Defendants ("Total Defendants") respectively received the payments totaled and set forth on and incorporated herein as Exhibit "C."

1	BROWN PLEADS GUILTY	
2	316. Brown violated A.R.S. §§ 44-1841 and 44-1842 by operating the Ponzi Scheme.	
3	317. On September 4, 1998, Brown pled guilty to two class two felonies: (1) Fraudulent	
4	Schemes and Artifices, in violation of A.R.S. §§ 13-1801, 13-1802, 13-701, 13-702, 13-801, 13-812,	
5	13-2313 and 13-2314; and, (2) Theft, in violation of A.R.S. §§ 13-1801, 13-1802, 13-701, 13-702, 13-801,	
6	13-812, 13-2313 and 13-2314. Brown is now serving a seven to fourteen year prison sentence.	
7	<u>CLAIMS</u>	
8	<u>COUNT ONE - AVOIDANCE</u> <u>UNDER 11 U.S.C. § 547 (Preferential Transfers; 90 Days)</u> (90 Day Defendants)	
10	318. The Trustee adopts paragraphs 1 through 317 by reference and incorporates each of	
11	the allegations contained therein as if set forth herein.	
12	319. Brown made payments to the 90 Day Defendants (the "90 Day Payments") in amounts	
13	at least as set forth on Exhibit "C," respectively.	
14	320. The 90 Day Defendants respectively received, at least, the 90 Day Payments within	
15	90 days before the date of the filing of the Bankruptcy Petition.	
16	321. Each of the 90 Day Payments were respectively made to each of the 90 Day	
17	Defendants on account of an antecedent debt owed by Brown before such transfer was made.	
18	322. Brown is presumed insolvent during the 90 days immediately prior to the filing of the	
19	Bankruptcy Petition.	
20	323. The 90 Day Payments enabled the 90 Day Defendants to receive more than such	
21	creditors would receive in a case under Chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code if said payments had not been	
22	made and such creditors received payment of such debt to the extent provided by the provisions of the	
23	Bankruptcy Code.	
24	324. The Trustee is entitled to avoid the 90 Day Payments.	
25	325. There is now due and owing to the Trustee by the 90 Day Defendants the amount of	
26	the 90 Day Payments, respectively.	

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to third parties;

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Brown transferred all or substantially all of his assets that are presently known

1		d. Brown was observed removing assets from his personal residence;	
2		e. Brown is insolvent;	
3		f. Brown, through his attorney, claimed the protections of his Fifth Amendmen	
4	privilege against self-	-incrimination;	
5		g. The ACC found that Brown engaged in a Ponzi Scheme which, by its nature	
6	was designed to defraud creditors; and		
7		h. Brown pled guilty to criminal acts of fraud and theft.	
8	348.	The Four Year Payments are avoidable pursuant to A.R.S. § 44-1007.A.3.	
9	349.	The Trustee is entitled, at her option, to a Judgment for the value of the Four Year	
10	Payments transferred	against the first transferee, or any subsequent transferees, under A.R.S. § 44-1008.B	
11	WHE	EREFORE, the Trustee prays for an order:	
12	A.	Determining that all transfers and payments by Brown within four years of the	
13	Bankruptcy Petition were avoidable transfers under 11 U.S.C. § 544 and A.R.S. § 44-1001 et seq.		
14	В.	Avoiding the Four Year Payments as fraudulent transfers from Brown to each of the	
15	Four Year Defendants;		
16	C.	Entering Judgment against each of the Four Year Defendants, respectively, in amounts	
17	for the value of the Four Year Payments;		
18	D.	Awarding interest to the Trustee at the legal rate or such rate as determined by the	
19	Court from and after	the date of each of the Four Year Payments on the value of such property transferred	
20	and		
21	E.	Any other relief as the Court deems appropriate.	
22		COUNT FOUR - UNJUST ENRICHMENT	
23		(Total Defendants)	
24	350.	The Trustee incorporates the previous allegations contained in paragraphs 1 through	
25	349, and each of the allegations contained therein as if fully set forth herein.		
26	351.	Brown made all presently known payments to the Total Defendants ("Total	

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## DATED this \_\_\_ day of October, 1999. RYLEY, CARLOCK & APPLEWHITE By\_ John J. Fries Thomas M. Corea Samuel S. Tiffany Suite 2700 101 N. 1st Avenue Phoenix, Arizona Attorneys for Chapter 7 Trustee

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